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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Larry L. Hood

Application No.: 09/819,561

Filed: March 27, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
MODIFICATIONS OF VISUAL ACUITY  
BY THERMAL MEANS

Examiner: David M. Shay

Art Group: 3739

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), the Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to November 28, 2003, from the Office Action dated October 30, 2003. Enclosed is a Request for Continued Examination and a check in the amount of \$440.00 to cover the RCE and petition for extension of time fee.

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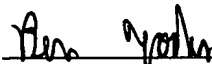
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Respectfully submitted,

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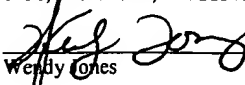
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